

# MISSOURI YOUNG FARMERS

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## *Still learning*

### *Education is top priority on Klem farm*

*By Amanda Marney, Editor*

When visiting with Mike Klem, it doesn't take long to realize that education continues to be a priority for him in every aspect of his life, especially when it comes to managing his farm. Klem, who farms in Novinger, pursued his degree in animal science at Texas A&M and eventually settled down to teach animal science at Truman State University. His priority on continuing education and keeping on top of the latest agricultural research eventually led him to joining Missouri Young Farmers.

"Missouri Young Farmers (YF) has always been known for its excellent education programs," says Klem, "and continuing education has been important to me, so it was a good match. I've been a member of the organization for about five years now, and have continued to be impressed by the programs the organization offers."

However, the benefits of being a member of Missouri YF doesn't end with educational programs. Klem says one of the most important benefits of being a YF member is meeting other farmers from across the Show-Me State. "Socializing is an important aspect of the organization," notes Klem. "Meeting people and learning about their operations – you learn a lot that way. Missouri YF is comprised of a great group of people."

Klem utilizes what he learns from Missouri YF on his farm in the Northeast corner of Missouri. This Missouri YF Vice President/Treasurer has a diversified livestock operation that includes cattle, horses, sheep and hogs.

"I've begun setting up a management intensive grazing system – there's a lot involved with water lines, fencing, etc." notes Klem. "I am fortunate that I am close to Linneus, where the University of Missouri's Forage Systems Research Center is located. I am going through all of the necessary training to get started on the right foot."

Klem leases land in addition to his own 133 acres. He



*Mike Klem serves on the Missouri YF Executive Board. He has been involved with the organization for five years.*

utilizes leased land for additional hay and pastureland. "I only put up enough hay for myself now," he says. "I used to do a lot of custom work and put up hay all summer. Now I've cut back and only put up what I need."

In addition to farming, Klem now substitute teaches at three school districts in the area. This gives him more time to spend with his three children – Michael, Marshall and Anna – in the summer.

If you would like to know more about activities/programs in the Northeast District, you can contact Klem at (660) 857-4417.





# Coberleys' Corner



*By Bob and Debbi Coberley*

*Presidents, Missouri Young Farmers and Missouri Young Farm Wives*

**G**reetings to one and all! We hope this finds everyone well and enjoying a good year, even though the weather hasn't cooperated. It has been extremely dry this year for a lot of the Show-Me State. That includes us, also. We are within a few days of feeding hay if the rains don't come.

We have just returned from the MYF/MYFW State Farm Tour at University of Missouri-Columbia. We had a very educational tour. We had approximately 100 members and guests there. We had a great meal, tour and entertainment at the Bradford Farm on Sunday evening. The tour on Monday consisted of a walking tour for half the day. The other half was a bus tour of South Farm. It was very interesting to see what new additions they have made to the campus. The research that is being conducted is always amazing to see. The use of new technology in the process is always interesting. Dean Thomas Payne, Dr. Gardner, and Dr. Schneeberger and their Staff at the University made the tour a success! We sincerely thank them for their hard work and dedication to the education of the adult sector. We would like to also thank Lisa Evans, Norman Rohrbach and the Staff at DESE for their help and hard work. We would like to thank the Executive Committee for their hard work and dedication. All these folks and more made this happen. We were glad to see those of you that could make it. We sincerely missed seeing those of you who couldn't be there. We know some had funerals to attend. Our thoughts are with you.

We had six applicants for scholarships this year. They were a very qualified group this year. The Committee opted to give all six scholarships this year at \$500.00 each. It is fantastic to see the young folks that are involved with Agriculture Education, be so enthusiastic about their vocation. This group of young people shows what the FFA and other educational organizations do for the future of Agriculture, and just plain life. The FFA not only trains students in the vocation of Agriculture, but the workings of everyday life. If we are to survive in this world as farmers, herds-men, or the Agri-Business sector, we will need the leadership of these types of people now, and in the future. We also thank them for "Living to Serve" by helping with the tour.

As you probably know, the convention this year will be at the Resort at Port Arrowhead, in Lake Ozark, MO. It will be at the same place as last year. The dates are February 4 and 5, 2006. We are planning a very fun and educational time. If at all possible, bring a new member with you. Be sure and mark it on your calendar!

As a new school year starts, MYF/MYFW meetings will start up again. We are very fortunate to be involved with such a fantastic group of people. For us it is like having a second family. We are blessed with having a group that has such a focus on the Agriculture industry. We know that all of you have that same opportunity to be a member of such a group. Let us remember as we start the coming year, to be sure that we take advantage of this opportunity as we struggle with everyday life. It is also through this association with our chapters that we gather encouragement from one another during these hard times of drought and difficult times. We are not alone in our endeavors as we struggle through life. Remember, the strength of a community is determined by the size of its heart.

We hope your trails are smooth and the wind is always at your back. We hope you've had a great summer. May the harvest and the fall season be good to all. May God bless and keep you, everyone.

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# Scholarship Winners

*MYF/YFW Scholarship Committee awards six scholarships during summer tour*

*By Amanda Marney, Editor*

Summer tour proved to be an exciting time for six college students as they were each awarded \$500 scholarships from Missouri YF/YFW.

Students nominated and selected for the scholarships are as follows. Erica Scott of Carrollton is a senior at Northwest Missouri State University. Celia Brammar of Tina is a senior at University of Missouri-Columbia. Ezekiel "Zeke" Barrett of Nixa is a senior at Missouri State University. Charles "Cord" Jenkins of St. James is a senior at University of Missouri-Columbia. Brad Buttram of Niangua is a junior at College of the Ozarks. And Ian Davidson of Norborne is a senior at Northwest Missouri State University.

In order to qualify for the scholarship nomination, students must be an incoming junior or senior majoring in Agricultural Education at one of the five universities that train agricultural education instructors in Missouri. The Universities are: University of Missouri-Columbia (MU), Missouri State University (MSU); Central Missouri State University



*Scholarship recipients are Front Row (L to R): Erica Scott of Carrollton, Mo. and Celia Brammar of Tina, Mo. Back Row (L to R): Ezekiel "Zeke" Barrett of Nixa, Mo., Charles "Cord" Jenkins of St. James, Mo., Brad Buttram of Niangua, Mo., and Ian Davidson of Norborne, Mo.*

(CMSU), Northwest Missouri State University (NWMSU) and College of the Ozarks (C of O). Each university may nominate two individuals. In addition, students must plan to teach agricultural education in Missouri, and students must attend the Missouri YF/YFW Summer Tour and take part in the interview during the tour.

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## Mark your calendars!

*State convention will be here  
before you know it*

This year's Missouri YF/YFW State Convention will be held Feb. 4 and 5, 2006. This information comes from Bob Coberley, Missouri YF president. Once again, the convention will be held at The Resort at Port Arrowhead in Osage Beach.

Preparations are well underway and committee members are working hard to make this year's convention a great success. Start making plans now to attend.

For more information or to see how you can help in the success of the convention, contact any member of the executive committee. Look in our Winter Newsletter for more detailed information.



# Summer Tour 2005

## University of Missouri-Columbia rolled out red carpet for Missouri YF

By Bob and Debbi Coberley

Missouri State YF/YFW Presidents



**A**nother successful Summer Tour has come and gone. It seems as though times flies by faster with each passing year. The 2005 Summer Tour was held at the University of Missouri-Columbia. This year the Executive Committee along with the College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources (CAFNR) hosted the tour.

The Tour began Sunday evening at the University of Missouri's Bradford Research Farm. Participants had the choice of a walking or wagon tour of the farm's corn and soybean research plots, along with stops at the weed garden, corn chromosome maze, and native plant garden. Participants also saw research that Bradford Farm, jointly with Missouri Department of Conservation, is working on to increase quail populations on Missouri farms.

An excellent steak dinner, prepared by the Boone County Cattlemen's Association was enjoyed by all. The dinner was topped off with ice cream made right on campus at Buck's Place in the Food Science Department and Francine's famous soybean cookies!

Local musicians (who also are members of the CAFNR staff), provided the entertainment for the evening. Bill Casady played pop music on the piano for us, and the Currey Family Bluegrass Band closed the evening's events.

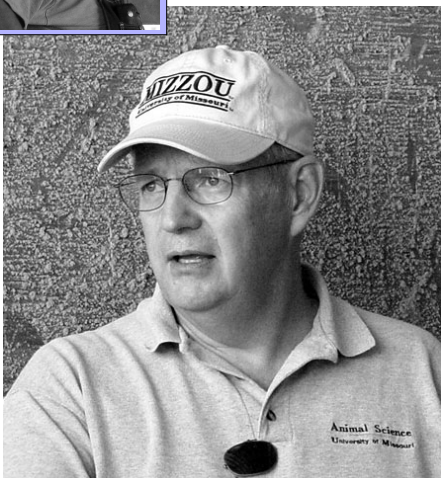
Monday was a day full of interesting and informative stops. The day started with breakfast at Brady Commons that was sponsored by Farm Credit Services of Missouri. The welcome and overview was in the Anheuser-Busch Natural Resources Building's Conservation Hall. The group was divided into two groups with half participating in the

walking tour, while the others participated in the bus tour. The walking tour consisted of stops at the Life Sciences Center, Recreation Complex, the Food Sciences and Bio-Engineering Complex, the Veterinary Teaching Hospital and Clinic and the Animal Sciences Center. The bus tour started with a tour of the historic and new MU campus buildings with a stop at the new Mizzou Arena. The buses traveled on to the South Farm, where they made stops for presentations at the sports turf field and the Hereford cow herd feed efficiency research project. At noon both groups met at Trowbridge Arena for a great pork loin lunch provided and served by Missouri Farm Bureau. Great job by those folks! After lunch the two groups rotated to repeat the morning tours. The tours finished back at Conservation Hall later that afternoon, where the six college scholarships winners were announced and the door prizes were awarded.

Our sincere thanks go out to Dr. John Gardner and Dr. Ken Schneeberger and their staff at CAFNR; John Morgan and the Santa Fe Agri-Leaders Chapter; Executive Committee; and everyone at DESE. In particular, we want to recognize Lisa Evans and Norman Rohrbach for helping put the tour together. Thanks to those that we have forgot to mention. All the help was very much appreciated.

### A Very Special Thank You To Our Summer Tour Sponsors!

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- Santa Fe Agri-Leaders and John Morgan, Advisor



## Planning Ahead!

### Summer Tour 2006 to be hosted by Chillicothe Chapter

**By Amy Prokop**

**Missouri YF Vice-President/Sentinel**

**T**he 2006 Missouri State YF/YFW Summer Tour will be held in Chillicothe, Mo. The dates are set for July 30, 31, and Aug. 1. We hope to have a great turn out.

As of now, the plans are to have a meet and greet Sunday evening. We hope to have antique tractors, musket shooting demonstrations and local women who spin with llama fibers. We are working on other interesting things for that event as well! Although tour stops have not been finalized, we want to let you know that Trans Ova Genetics will definitely be one of the stops in the tour. This genetics facility specializes in embryo transfer in cattle. We hope to see you next July in Chillicothe!

**Editor's note:** If you have questions about next year's summer tour or would like to volunteer to help, contact Amy Prokop at (660) 707-0269 or [aprokop@greenhills.net](mailto:aprokop@greenhills.net).





# All Roads Lead to Colorado

It's time once again for National Institute, which will be held Nov. 30 through Dec. 3 in Denver, Col. this year. The event will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel near the old Stapleton Airport location in Denver. And your Missouri YF/YFW organization is chartering a bus to go to the event in style! According to Lisa Evans, Missouri YF/YFW executive secretary, there are a few items to note if you are interested in reserving your spot on the bus.

The bus is limited to 47 individuals, and the cost will be \$125 per person. You must reserve your spot by Oct. 1, 2005 – this is the same day as early bird registration for the conference. Please note that if there are not enough interested individuals, your money will be refunded. The bus must fill to 80 percent capacity (38 individuals) in order to charter.

The bus will leave the evening of Tues., Nov. 29 and return the evening of Sunday, Dec. 4. It is a tour coach bus with bathroom and video/DVD setup. The bus will have two to three stops to pick up/drop off – starting in Columbia. Other stops will be west of Columbia, i.e. Concordia.

If you have any questions, contact Evans at (573) 751-8467 or [lisa.evans@dese.mo.gov](mailto:lisa.evans@dese.mo.gov).

## National Delegate Report

By Greg and Jodi Duncan

Leadership Conference was at Buffalo/Niagara, NY, on July 7 through 10. Our family was able to participate in the event and we in turn are excited to bring an update back to everyone. Meetings began Friday morning and continued thru Saturday with a main focus on “Where are tomorrow’s Agri-Leaders coming from and as a National organization what we can do to better serve them?” The organization has invested time and energy developing resources that will aide in this process of growth. Membership and participation programs are the main resources developed. One of the programs is the NAAS (National Ag Advisor Subscription). This program provides any advisor or chapter a step by step guide to local chapter level success. This program also will include a “Leaders for Ag” member-



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The Association for EDUCATING AGRICULTURAL LEADERS

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Wednesday, Nov. 30

- Attendees Arrive - Free Transportation from Airport\* (See note below.)
- National Board Meeting
- Delegate Session
- Registration Opens
- Welcome to our State Reception, 6:00 p.m. - Double Tree Hotel

### Thursday, Dec. 1

- Colorado Experience\*, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- Spokesperson for Agriculture Contest
- Farm & Ranch Management Contest
- Mountain Tours
- Evening on the Town

### Friday, Dec. 2

- Breakfast Banquet
- Farm Tours
- Flag Ceremony Banquet

### Saturday, Dec. 3

- Breakfast Banquet

#### \* *Colorado Experience*

Enjoy a virtual tour of Colorado, Experience the sights, sounds & tastes of our beautiful state.

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FREE Transportation to & from the airport provided compliments of your 2005 National Institute hosts. Attendees will be greeted upon arrival at the airport; transported to the hotel, and returned for departure on Sunday, Dec 4.

- Ag Decision-Makers College
- Awards Luncheon & Auction
- Young Beginning & Small Farmers Program
- NYFEA John Deere Reception
- Closing Banquet

## Registration Information/Form

*Please note that there are several registration options this year; read through carefully.*

### # Registered Total Cost I. ALL in ONE

Regist. Total Cost  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (x \$220) = \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Early Bird)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ (x \$160) = \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Thursday \_\_\_\_\_ (x \$55) = \_\_\_\_\_  
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 2. \_\_\_\_\_ (x \$35) = \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

#### REGISTRATION OPTION I - All in One

- Yes, I am paying the early-bird registration fee of \$220 for the NYFEA Institute.

Must be postmarked on or before October 1.

- Yes, I am paying the weekend rate of \$160 for the NYFEA convention.

Must be postmarked on or before October 31. Includes Friday night and all of Saturday (including breakfast, Ag Decision Makers College, YALE event, lunch & Saturday night events).

- Yes, I am paying the regular rate of \$245 for the NYFEA convention.

Must be postmarked on or before October 31.

- Registrations postmarked on or after November 1 will be \$265

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A. 3-10 \_\_\_\_\_ B. 2 & under \_\_\_\_\_

#### REG. OPTION II - By Day (Please indicate the number for each day)

- Yes, I desire to only attend an abbreviated portion. I have enclosed my daily rate of \_\_\_\_\_ \$65 for Thursday, \_\_\_\_\_ \$95 for Friday, \_\_\_\_\_ or \$125 for Saturday.

#### REG. OPTION III - By Event (Indicate # of attendees for each)

Wednesday, November 30, 2005

- Attendees arrive
- National Board Meeting, 4:00 PM
- Delegate Session, 6:00 PM
- Registration opens
- Welcome to our state reception, 6:00-9:00 PM
- Get rested and ready for the Colorado Experience!

#### Thursday, December 1, 2005

1. Colorado Experience, Grand and Crystal Ballrooms, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, \$20
2. An evening on the town, 5:00 - until ???, \$35

#### Friday, December 2, 2005

3. The Breakfast Banquet, 6:30 - 8:00 am, \$15
4. Ag Tours (w/ lunch), 8:00 - 5:00 pm, \$50/tour.
5. Salute to Colorado Agriculture & Flag Ceremony Banquet, 6:30 - 10:00 pm, \$40

#### Saturday, December 3, 2005

6. The Saturday "Ag Decision-Makers' College" Breakfast (Agriculture and Issues Forum), 8:00 - 10:30 am, \$40
7. "Young Ag Leaders Event" (w/ lunch & entertainment), 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, \$50
8. Spokesperson Lunch and Auction, 11:30 - 1:30 pm, \$25
9. The NYFEA Reception, 4:00 - 6:30 pm, \$50 (limited # of tickets)
10. Closing Banquet and the Big Show, 6:00 to 10:00 pm, \$50

#### Tour Options: (Details on reverse side)

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| Tour 3: Greeley Tour      | # attending _____ | 1st Choice | 2nd Choice |
| Tour 4: Longmont Tour     | # attending _____ | 1st Choice | 2nd Choice |

Tour Note: Please list your 1st & 2nd choices as well as the number attending.

# Southwest District News

By Bob and Debbi Coberley  
Missouri State YF/YFW Presidents

**G**reetings from the Southwest Corner! We hope that this finds all of you doing well. Like a lot of you, we are super dry down here in spots. For the most part, the hay crop was down 25-30 percent. We are pretty close to feeding hay if the weather does not change. We sure hope that doesn't happen. It will be a long time till April!



The East Newton Chapter will begin meetings this September. We usually don't have any meetings in the summer – everyone is so busy at that time. In April we had our pork supper and YF/YFW auction, which was the same night as the labor auction. We had a very good turn out. We are proud to have so many great supporters of YF/YFW and the FFA. We were able to give five scholarships for \$400 each. We are very proud of those FFA members. We had two new “future” YF members this past year. Jonathan and Michelle Davis are the proud parents of twins, Jackson Ray & Derrick Lynn Davis. They will sure be busy for the next 18 or so years!

The Lamar Chapter is gearing up for a busy year. Chapter members are meeting with the people that are feeding out

their calves in Iowa. Joe Pace says the research on this group of calves was complete. Joe, Craig Evans, and John Sponaugle did the workshop on ultrasound for finishing out beef cattle at convention last year. It will be interesting to see their findings on this group. Joe has offered to do Southwest's District meeting at Lamar this year. It will be on January 14, 2006, at the Theibaud Auditorium in Lamar.

The Lebanon Chapter is backgrounding calves, also. They are involved with a group called Premier Beef Group. The group will be putting a group of cattle together for feeding in October. They will feed them for 60 days and sell them in load lots in December. They advertise them to a group of buyers that they have used previously. Those buyers then bid on their cattle. This will be their 13<sup>th</sup> go round. Last year Craig Evans said they sold five pot loads of cattle.

The Logan-Rogersville chapter is getting ready to get their meetings under way this September. Jayson Shriver said they usually get things rolling the third to fourth week of September. This is their planning meeting for the year. They schedule events for the whole year up to first week of June. That is when they have their big BBQ and social, then adjourn for the summer. Sounds like a busy year ahead for them.

The Jasper Chapter has a new agriculture teacher this year. Robert Pope, hometown fellow, has returned to instruct there. We are sure they are glad to see him come back home to teach. Robert told us that he and Jared Jeffries have a lot planned for the adults at Jasper this year. They are looking to offer some night classes along with some field trips. They also would like to do some FBMA analyses on some of the local farms. So they are looking to enhance their program significantly. Welcome back home, Robert!

We also spoke with Al Skalicky at tour this month. They are also getting fired up in September for their coming year. It sounded as though they had an interesting schedule ahead.

We hope that everyone has a great ending to summer, and an even better fall. The weather has sure been an issue, so let's all pray for rain! May God bless us all.

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# News and Notes . . .

**Missouri YF Members Tim and Linda Dreyer** were blessed with the gift of twin daughters, Katelin Marie Ella and Madison Lin Koenig Dreyer on Fri., June 3.

Katelin was born at 12:16 a.m., weighed 6 pounds, and was 19 inches long.

Madison was born at 12:28 a.m.; weighed 6 pounds, 3 ounces; and was 18 1/2 inches long. After spending two weeks in the NICU because of jaundice and eating difficulties, Katelin and Madison came home on Father's Day. The new family of four is doing great! The Dreyers feel very blessed by these two special gifts from God! The Dreyers would like to say "thank you" to all the Missouri YF/YFW members for their prayers and well wishes! Our wonderful friends and fellow YF/YFW members are awesome!



**Santa Fe Agri-Leaders'** members and advisor John Morgan and his wife Evelyn welcomed a new daughter, Taylon Monette Morgan on Fri., August 26, 2005. Taylon joins two older sisters at home. Congratulations!

**Congratulations to Doyle Bounds, Tom Primmer, Roger Scott, John Sponaugle and Steve Yates** for 30 years of service to agricultural education.

Bounds is an Adult and Secondary Education Teacher and YF Chapter Advisor at Worth County R-III in Grant City.

Primmer is an Adult and Secondary Education Teacher and YF Chapter Advisor in Kirksville.

Scott is a recently retired Adult Agricultural Education Teacher and YF Chapter Advisor in Edina.

Sponaugle is an Adult Agricultural Education Teacher and YF Chapter Advisor in Boonville.

Yates is an Adult Agricultural Education Teacher and YF Chapter Advisor in Monroe City.

All five were recognized at the MVATA Conference held in Springfield on July 25-28, 2005.

**Editor's Note:** We would like to expand this section to include all Alumni News and Events. Please contact Amanda Marney at [ammarney@sbcbglobal.net](mailto:ammarney@sbcbglobal.net) with items to include.

## Calling all crafters!

### Missouri YF/YFW Craft Contest to be held at State Convention

**D**on't forget to bring items for this year's craft show at the Missouri YF/YFW State Convention! According to Casey Shremp, Missouri YF Vice-President/Reporter, the show is open to all crafters. "You can bring photography, scrapbooks, quilting, woodworking...anything you've made over the past year," says Shremp.

Bring all crafts with you to the registration table at state convention to get entered in the craft contest. Please note that the contest is open to chapters as well as individuals, so if you've worked on a project as a group get it out and bring it to state convention. For more information, contact Casey Shremp at (573) 547-2049.

## Adult teacher meeting Instructors to gather in September at Columbia

**A** adult teacher meeting will be held Sept. 15 and 16, 2005 in Columbia, Mo. Plans are being made for several informative presentations that the teachers can use to help them plan for their fall/winter classes in their local programs.

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# Calendar of Events

## OCTOBER

Oct. 4-8 World Dairy Expo, Madison, WI  
 Oct. 6-7, University of Missouri Wurdack Youth Field Day, Cook Station, MO  
 Oct. 6-7, MO Seedman's Assn. Meeting, Lake Ozark, MO  
 Oct. 29, 3rd Annual MO Chestnut Roast, New Franklin, MO

## NOVEMBER

Nov. 3-5, National Small Farm Trade Show & Conference, Columbia, MO  
 Nov. 3-6, Agriculture Future of Agriculture (AFA) Leaders Conference, Kansas City, MO  
 Nov. 5-18, North American International Livestock Exposition, Louisville, KY  
 Nov. 29, MFA Inc. Annual Meeting, Columbia, MO  
 Nov. 30-Dec. 3, National Institute, Denver, CO

## DECEMBER

Dec. 2-3, MO Livestock Symposium, Kirksville, MO  
 Dec. 3, Rural Life Day, Lincoln University  
 Dec. 4-5, 2005 MO Farm Bureau Federation Annual Meeting, Tan-Tar-A  
 Dec. 8-11, MO Cattle Industry Convention, Columbia, MO

## JANUARY

Jan. 8-11, American Farm Bureau Federation Annual Convention, Nashville, Tenn.  
 Jan. 27-28, Missouri Dairy Forum, Osage Beach, MO

## FEBRUARY

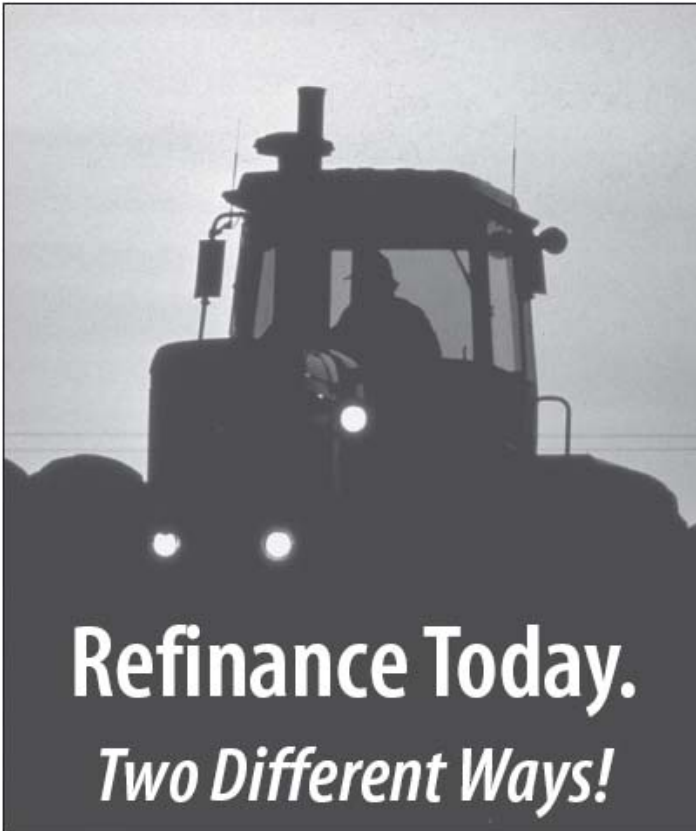
Feb. 4-5, Missouri YF/YFW State Convention, Osage Beach, MO  
 Feb. 23-24, Missouri Pork Expo, Columbia, MO

*Looking Ahead: Summer Tour 2006  
 July 20, 31, and Aug. 1. Mark your calendars!*

## NATIONAL DELEGATE

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ship. Enrolling in this program will bring the local chapter to the National level. This in turn will become part of a network with opportunities and educational programs that enhance the success potential of local participants. Then we shared thoughts and ideas of how different state chapters work to make contact with the potential educators to expose them to such opportunities as the NAAS program and others and just how they can aid in furthering adult education. One of the state chapters hosts an informative social cook out for all of the graduating Agricultural Instructors, in order to share ideas and programs that the NYFEA and their State Organization have to offer them in adult education and how beneficial this group can be to the success of their local FFA chapters and the young ones in them. We encourage everyone to go on-line (NYFEA.org) and research the many other programs and upcoming events the NYFEA has available to help each local and state level. (New Membership, Partnership Programs and their different levels of participation, NAAS, Winter Convention and many other details.



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